

**ONTARIO UNDERWATER COUNCIL
2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 14TH, 2010
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.**



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Roll Call:

Name	Title/Role	Membership Category	Affiliated with	Remarks
Raimund J. Krob	President	OUC Board of Directors	OUC, SOS, SUCI	Present
Scott Holmes	Director, Safety	OUC Board of Directors	OUC, EUC	Absent
Ed Hovanec	Director, Communications	OUC Board of Directors	OUC, SWODA	Present
Position vacant	Director, Membership	OUC Board of Directors		Position vacant
David Taylor	Director, Finance	OUC Board of Directors	OUC, SOS, NDA	Present
Tom Miller	Regional Coordinator	Ontario East 2	OUC	Absent
Helmut Bock	Regional Coordinator	Ontario East 1	OUC, NSC	Present
Joe Sildiryan	Regional Coordinator	Ontario Central-East	OUC, ASC	Absent
Bryan Thomas	Regional Coordinator	Ontario Central-West	OUC, SOS	Absent
Brooke Hooykaas	Regional Coordinator	Ontario South, & Ice Floe Race Co-Chair	OUC, SOS, Burlington Marlins	Present
Mike Napran	Regional Coordinator	Ontario West	OUC, Sarnia Underwater Club	Present
Position vacant	Regional Coordinator	Ontario North		Position vacant
Troy Hebert	Regional Coordinator	Ontario North-West	OUC	Absent
Marianne Collins	Program Coordinator	OUC Liability Insurance for Clubs	OUC, EUC	Present
Dave Noble	Program Coordinator	OUC Dive Directories, OUC Gold Life Member, & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award	OUC, EUC	Present
Brian Craig	Office Administrator	OUC		Present
Ken Nakamura	Observer	Individual Blue Member	Aquarius Scuba	Present
Paul Wood	Delegate	Club	Ajax Scuba Club	Present
Audrey Wood	Observer	Club	Ajax Scuba Club	Present
		Club	Aquaknights of Hamilton	Absent
		Club	Barrascuba Club, Hamilton	Absent
Keith Chaplin	Delegate	Club	Canadian Sport Divers, Belleville	Present
Bill Andrews	Observer	Club	Canadian Sport Divers, Belleville	Present
Doug James	Observer	Club	Canadian Sport Divers, Belleville	Present
Tyler Caughill	Delegate	Club	Canadian Sub Aqua Club	Present
John Berkhuizen	Observer	Club	Canadian Sub Aqua Club	Present
		Club	Dolphin Aquatic Club	Absent
Camilla Sherriff	Delegate	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Art Penney	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Mary Maguire	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Kenneth Boyce	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present

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Elois Davis	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Simon Helsen	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Dave Noble		Club, OUC GOLD Life Member & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Don Macintyre		Club, OUC GOLD Life Member & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Eleonora Kolnar	Observer	Club	Etobicoke Underwater Club	Present
Courtney Gibson	Delegate	Club	Hart House Underwater Club	Present
Bob Belcher	Observer	Club	Hart House Underwater Club	Present
Jim Root	Delegate	Club	London Skin & Scuba Club	Present
Marie Root	Observer	Club	London Skin & Scuba Club	Present
		Club	Mississauga Scuba Club	Present
Helmut Bock	Delegate	Club	Nautilus Scuba Club	Present
		Club	North Bay Scuba Club	Present
John Freeborn	Delegate	Club	Ontario Underwater Explorers Scuba Club	Present
Brant Telfer	Observer	Club	Ontario Underwater Explorers Scuba Club	Present
Mike Napran	Delegate	Club	Sarnia Underwater Club	Present
Chris Napran	Observer	Club	Sarnia Underwater Club	Present
David Taylor	Delegate	Club	Save Ontario Shipwrecks	Present
Ed Hovanec	Delegate	Club	South-Western Ontario Divers Association	Present
Jack Purchase	Delegate	Club	Scarborough Underwater Club Inc. (SUCI)	Present
Rick Leblanc	Observer	Club	Scarborough Underwater Club Inc. (SUCI)	Present
		Club	Steel City Sport Divers Inc.	Absent
		Club	The Great Lakes Scuba Club	Absent
		Club	Toronto Rainbow Reef Rangers	Absent
		Club	York Sub Aqua	Absent
Tom Horn		OUC Gold Life Member, & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award	Canadian Sport Divers, Belleville, ON OUC Board of Advisors	Present
Fred Harley		OUC Gold Life Member, & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award		Present
Peter White		OUC Gold Life member, & recipient, L.CD Ken Grant award	OUC Special Advisor to Fathom Five OUC Board of Advisors	Present

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1. Call to Order	Raimund called the meeting to order at 12:12pm
2. President's Welcoming Remarks	<p>Raimund welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked Delegates and Observers for attending and for representing their respective Clubs and Organizations. A summary of the remarks follows:</p> <p>OUC is 100% member funded and is 100% volunteer operated (with the single exception of a part-time office administrator). As such, our primary mandate is to serve our members. In doing so, we also look for opportunities to serve the Greater Ontario Scuba Community as well.</p> <p>Today is an opportunity for us to report to you on exactly how we believe we have been doing that in the past year, and how we plan on doing that in the upcoming year.</p> <p>Today is also an opportunity for you to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ask us any questions you may have about what we are doing for you. - provide us with feedback on how you think we are doing or what you would like to see us doing - better understand how we spend your membership dollars - table motions about issues that are important to you and the members you are representing - nominate candidates to the OUC team to represent your interests - exercise your right to vote on behalf of yourself / your organization on any motions tabled, or elections held. - ask not only what OUC can do for you, but ask also what you can do for OUC.
3. Review and Approval of minutes of 2009 AGM	<p>Raimund referred the membership to the minutes of the 2009 AGM on page 31 of the AGM package and asked if there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the minutes as published.</p> <p>Jim Root asked that we correct his name in the 2009 minutes, currently listed as Mike Root.</p> <p>Raimund asked for a motion from the floor to approve the minutes of the 2009 AGM as reviewed/amended.</p> <p>Moved by: Jim Root</p> <p>Seconded by: Dave Noble</p> <p>Vote: All for, none against</p> <p>Outcome: Motion to accept minutes of 2009 AGM, carried.</p>
4. Review and Approval of the Board of Directors' Reports	<p>Raimund referred the membership to the Board of Directors' reports starting on page 7 of the AGM package and ask if there were any questions or edits. There were none.</p> <p>Raimund asked those Board members in attendance who did not file written reports if they wish to give their reports now, verbally.</p> <p>Brooke Hooykaas, Regional Coordinator – Ontario South, presented her report: As OUC Regional Coordinator – Ontario South for the past year, I have been hard at work promoting OUC to my</p>

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	<p>region and keeping in touch with the different stores and clubs in the area. Our most recent commercial member is The Dive Academy in Oakville. They are a fairly new store in the area and specialize in dive travel as well as underwater photography. Over the past year, I have represented the OUC at local diving events including the NDA's annual shipwreck symposium held back in March. The Ontario South Region has many wonderful dive spots to explore including the Upper and Lower Niagara Rivers, the Welland Scuba Park, and other various sites in Lake Ontario. I encourage all of you to come out and experience them.</p> <p>Ed Hovanec, Director of Communications gave his report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spent much of the year maintaining and updating OUC's website. - Created special pages for events, - Published a spring newsletter, need help going forward from membership for stories/articles - Redesigned OUC's Dive Log Book - In the process of creating OUC Style Book - 3 priorities for next year: 1) create a newsletter schedule, 2) redesign of the website 3) use our electronic assets more (ie Facebook, email, twitter) <p>Raimund thanked both Brooke and Ed for giving their reports Raimund asked the Membership if they had any questions of the Board Members who gave their reports verbally. There were none. Raimund asked the Membership for a motion to approve the Board of Directors' reports. Moved by: Courtney Gibson Seconded by: Brooke Hooykaas Vote: All for, none against Outcome: Motion to accept Board of Directors' Reports carried.</p>
<p>5. Presentation and approval of the Auditor's report of the OUC's July 1st 2009 to June 30th 2010 Financial Year.</p>	<p>OUC Finance Director David Taylor referred the membership to Graham Mathew & Partners' review of the OUC's July 1st 2009 to June 30th 2010 Financial report. David asked the membership if any questions</p> <p>Fred Harley asked if OUC was selling Air Test Equipment, the plan is to sell it on eBay. After discussion, membership voted to continue the dialogue about the Air Testing Program at another time and place.</p> <p>David asked for a motion from the floor to approve the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. Moved by: Dave Noble Seconded by: Fred Harley Vote: All for, none against</p>

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	Outcome: Motion to accept OUC Financial Report and OUC Auditor's Report carried.
6. Amend OUC By-Laws	No plans to amend OUC By-Laws at 2010 AGM
7. Election of the Board of Directors	
7.1. Selection of the Election Officer and Scrutineer	Raimund asked Brian Craig, OUC Office Administrator if he would please be the Election Officer and Scrutineer. Brian accepted.
7.2. Review of Open Board Positions	Raimund reviewed the following positions open for Election, and the order in which they will be elected: 1. Director, Sport Safety, 2 year term starting at the 2010 AGM and ending at the 2012 AGM 2. Director, Membership, 1 year balance of a 2 year term starting at the 2009 AGM and ending at the 2011 AGM 3. Director, Finance, 2 year tem starting at the 2010 AGM and ending at the 2012 AGM
7.3. Election	<p>Brian asked for a motion from the floor: "That if there is more than one candidate for any one position, that votes for the ensuing election be cast by secret ballot, and that those secret ballots be destroyed post AGM"</p> <p>Moved by: Jim Root Seconded by: Courtney Gibson Vote: All for, none against</p> <p>Director, Sport Safety Brian referred the membership to the duties of the Director of Sport Safety in the hand-outs prior to the AGM Brian advised the members that Scott Holmes will not be standing for re-election to the position of Director of Sport Safety. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked the floor for any final nominations for the position of Director of Sport Safety. - Paul Wood from Ajax Scuba Club nominated himself for the position - Brian pronounced Paul elected to the position of Director of Sport Safety by acclamation.</p> <p>Director, Membership Brian referred the membership to the duties of the Director of Membership on page 19 of the AGM package. Brian informed the membership that the position of Director of Membership has been vacant since the 2009 AGM and that Raimund Krob, has been serving as Acting Membership Director, in addition to serving as President. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked the floor for any final nominations for the position of Director of Membership. - Camilla (Cam) Sherriff nominated Eleonora Kolar from EUC - Brian pronounced Eleonora elected to the position of Director of Membership by acclamation</p>

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	<p>Director, Finance Brian referred the membership to the duties of the Director of Finance on page 18 of the AGM package. Brian asked the incumbent Director of Finance David Taylor of SOS if he was standing for re-election. David informed the Membership, that “Yes, he will” Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked the floor for any final nominations for the position of Director of Membership. – None received - Brian pronounced David elected to the position of Director of Finance by acclamation</p>
<p>8. Elections of the Regional Coordinators (for 1-year terms)</p>	<p>Brian informed the Membership that he would now proceed with the election of the OUC Regional Coordinators. Brian referred the Membership to the description of the OUC Regional Coordinator role starting on page 20 of the AGM package</p> <p>Ontario East 2 – (Brockville, Ottawa, Cornwall) Brian informed the Membership that Tom Miller (presently unaffiliated) will be standing for re-election. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario East 2 Membership Delegates if there were any final nominations. None received - Brian pronounced Tom elected to the position of OUC RC East 2 by acclamation</p> <p>Ontario East 1 – (Kingston, Belleville, Peterborough) Brian asked the incumbent, Helmut Bock, of Nautilus Scuba Club, if he wished to stand for re-election. Helmut advised “Yes, he will” Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario East 1 Membership Delegates if there were any final nominations. None received - Brian pronounced Helmut elected to the position of OUC RC East 1 by acclamation</p> <p>Ontario Central-East (East of Yonge St. including Oshawa) Brian informed the Membership that Joe Sildiryan of Ajax Scuba Club will be standing for re-election. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario Central-East Membership Delegates if there were any final nominations. None received - Brian pronounced Joe elected to the position of OUC RC C-E by acclamation</p> <p>Ontario Central-West (GTA West of Yonge St. including Mississauga and north to Tobermory) Brian informed the Membership that Bryan Thomas will be standing for re-election. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario Central-West Membership Delegates if there were any final nominations from the floor. None received - Brian pronounced Bryan elected to the position of OUC RC C-W by acclamation</p> <p>Ontario South (Hamilton, St. Catharines, Niagara Falls)</p>

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	<p>Brian asked incumbent Brooke Hooykaas of Steel City Sport Divers if she will be standing for re-election to the position Brooke Hooykaas advised, “No, I will not” Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario South Membership Delegates if there are any final nominations from the floor. None received - no candidates, Brian pronounced that the position will remain vacant until the Board appoints a candidate</p> <p>Ontario West (London, Cambridge, Sarnia) Brian asked incumbent Mike Napran of Sarnia Underwater Club if he will be standing for re-election to the role Mike advise that “no, he will not”. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario West Membership Delegates if there are any final nominations from the floor. None received - no candidates, Brian pronounced that the position will remain vacant until the Board appoints a candidate - Jim Root to poll LSSC members to see if he can get a candidate <Editor’s Note: At the OUC Board Meeting of Tuesday, December 14th, 2010, the Board appointed John Charest to the position of OUC Regional Coordinator, Ontario West)</p> <p>Ontario North – (North Bay, Sudbury) Position vacant. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario North Membership Delegates if there are any final nominations from the floor. None received - no candidates, Brian pronounced that the position will remain vacant until the Board appoints a candidate - Raimund to poll Dolphin Aquatic Club of Sudbury and North Bay Scuba Club for a candidate</p> <p>Ontario North-West (Sault Ste. Marie, Thunder Bay, Kenora) Brian informed the Membership that Troy Hebert of Wally’s Thunder Country Diving will be standing for re-election. Brian informed the Membership he did not receive any additional nominations for the position Brian asked Ontario North-West Membership Delegates if there are any final nominations from the floor. None received - Brian pronounced Troy elected to the position of OUC RC N-W by acclamation</p>
<p>9. Awards</p>	<p>Raimund referred the Membership to the 3 Awards presented by OUC, along with their criteria, starting on page 29 of the 2010 AGM Package.</p> <p>The "TINMAN" Award, in memory of Al McIlmoyle, is sponsored by The Scuba Club of Toronto for a diving club, organization or individual for excellence in volunteer service to the non-diving community in Ontario.</p>

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	<p>The "Distinguished Service Award", to be maintained at the highest calibre, is for an individual, group or organization that has performed an exceptional service to the sport of scuba diving.</p> <p>Raimund called on John Freeborn, Brant Telfer, Rohan Omrow, Adam Charlinski of Ontario Underwater Explorers Scuba Club</p> <p>Raimund read the nomination received from Ontario Underwater Explorers Scuba Club: In 2011 the OUE SCUBA Swap will hold its 20th annual event. The two individuals nominated above are most responsible for the growth and success of the SCUBA Swap. They have volunteered hundreds of hours of work over the years working on the Swap and other club events. The SCUBA Swap has evolved into a great annual event for everyone in the Ontario SCUBA diving to enjoy each year.</p> <p>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The OUE was formed in 1965, the two individuals nominated have also served many times on the OUE Executive in various positions to ensure the strong growth of the OUE. Over the years they have also supported many other events held by the Ontario SCUBA diving community.</p> <p>Raimund presented the awards to John and Brant at OUC's AGM, and later to Rohan and Adam at OUE's AGM.</p> <p>The Lt. Cdr. Ken Grant Memorial Trophy is awarded annually for exceptional service to the Ontario Underwater Council by an Individual, non-salaried, O.U.C. member. It comes with Life OUC Gold Membership.</p> <p>Raimund thanked all nominating organizations and reminded all members to review the OUC Awards and Criteria.</p>
<p>10. Announcements</p>	<p><u>OUC Announcements:</u></p> <p>Raimund referred the Membership Delegates to page 24 of the 2010 AGM package. Raimund informed Membership Delegates of the events that OUC is planning to benefit membership and the greater Ontario Scuba Community, and to ask Membership Delegates to advise OUC which events they plan on supporting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. OUC Scuba Demo Tank & Information Booth at the Ultimate Travel Show, January 29th & 30th, 2011 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. 2. OUC Scuba Demo Tank & Information Booth at the Outdoor Adventure Show, February 25th, 26th, and 27th, 2011 at the International Centre, Hall 5 3. OUC Ice Floe Race, Sunday, March 6th, 2011, in Peterborough 4. Note that OUC's "Adventures Underwater" event that was planned for Saturday, February 12th, 2011 is being

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	<p>deferred to a future TBD date.</p> <p>Raimund reminded Delegates that Member Clubs' participation will be required to make these events successful. If Clubs are not planning on supporting any of these OUC-coordinated events, then Clubs should advise what events they would like OUC to coordinate as well as where, and when, and what their Club would be prepared to help with.</p> <p>Raimund asked if there were any other announcements from the floor. The following announcements were made:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. OUE Scuba Swap April 16th 2. EUC will be running a 'Dive for a Cause event' last weekend in August 3. UHMS Canadian Chapter annual Diving & Medicine Symposium 4. NDA Shipwrecks 2010 April 2nd – Welland 5. SUCI – 50th Anniversary – events throughout the year 6. Dive for a cure – October 16th
11. Correspondence from the Membership	Raimund informed Membership that no correspondence was received
12. Old Business	Raimund asked the Membership if there is any old business from the floor. There was none.
13. New Business	Raimund asked if there is any new business from the floor. There was none.
14. Adjournment & date of next AGM	<p>Raimund thanked all Delegates, Observers, and Members for attending, all past Board Members for their service to OUC and the sport, and congratulated and welcomed all new Board Members.</p> <p>Raimund asked the floor for a motion to adjourn OUC's 2010 Annual General Meeting</p> <p>Moved by: Cam Sherriff</p> <p>Seconded by: Courtney Gibson</p> <p>Vote: All for, none against</p> <p>Outcome: Motion to adjourn OUC's 2010 AGM. carried</p> <p><i>Raimund announced that OUC's next regular AGM will be held on Sunday November 13th, 2011 at 12:00 noon</i></p>